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AMEMBASSY TUNIS PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L TRIPOLI 1110

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR LY EG TS

SUBJECT: LARG PREPARATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER ONE CELEBRATIONS

1. LIKE THE REST OF THE DPL CORPS HERE, WE HAVE BEEN WATCHING THESE PREPARATIONS FOR CLUES ON THE OUTCOME OF THE EGYPT/LIBYA MERGER QUESTION. THEY HAVE NOT YIELDED ANY CONVINCING INDICATIONS WHETHER MERGER IS OFF OR ON, OR WHAT SHAPE IT MIGHT TAKE, OR EVEN WHETHER THERE WILL BE A REFERENDUM ON THAT DATE -- ONE OF THE MEASURES THAT "SHALL BE COMPLETED AT A DATE NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER ONE 1973" ACCORDING TO THE SADAT/QADHAFI AGREEMENT OF AUGUST 2, 1972. HOWEVER, THE TUNISIAN CHARGE TELLS ME SECRET PREPARATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A REFERENDUM HERE, PRESUMABLY ON SEPT ONE.

2. MEANWHILE, TO DAY THE TUNISIAN CHARGE RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM LARG ACTING FONMIN INVITING PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA TO THE SEPT ONE CELEBRATIONS AT TRIPOLI. THE CHARGE TELLS ME HE ALSO RECEIVED AN INDICATION THAT PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE WAS SIMILARLY BEING INVITED AT THE LAST MINUTE. HE GUESSES THAT RCC MEMBER  
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MUHAYSHI'S TRAVEL FROM CAIRO TO TRIPOLI AUGUST 28

WAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ISSUING QADHAFI'S INSTRUCTIONS  
IN THIS CONNECTION.

3. COMMENT: WHILE ISSUING PRESIDENTIAL INVITATIONS  
AT THE LAST MINUTE IS NOT UNUSUAL BY LARG PROTOCOL  
STANDARDS, IN THIS CASE THEY GIVE RISE TO THE  
THOUGHT THAT QADHAFI SAW THEM AS A BIT OF EXTRA  
LEVERAGE ON SADAT.  
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